

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, Bernard F. Bareis, Peter J. Foster and Thomas B. Schalk, declare that we are citizens of The United States of America residing at 6844 Shadybrook Lane, Apartment 2052, Dallas, Texas 75231, 3924 Bryn Mawr, Dallas, Texas 75225 and 10140 Cimmarron Trail, Dallas, Texas 75243, respectively; that we believe we are the original, first and sole inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention, design or discovery entitled **SPEECH RECOGNITION SYSTEM FOR ELECTRONIC SWITCHES IN A NON WIRELINE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK**, the application of which was filed March 22, 1994, U.S. Serial No. 08/216,009, which application is a continuation of copending application U.S. Serial No. 07/867,873 filed April 13, 1992, now U.S. Patent No. 5,297,183; that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims; that we do not know and do not believe that said invention, design or discovery was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention or discovery thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention or discovery thereof, or more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that said invention, design or discovery has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued prior to the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns; and that we acknowledge our duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

We hereby appoint:

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of the firm of Hughes & Luce, L.L.P. our attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to file and prosecute any international patent application filed thereon before any international authorities under the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

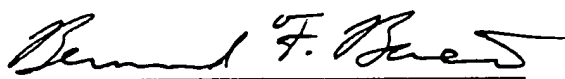
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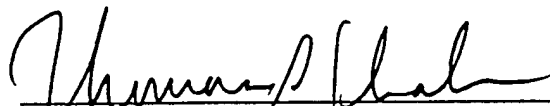
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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.



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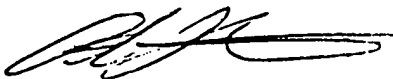
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PHA 23,944X

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Title: SPEECH RECOGNITION SYSTEM FOR ELECTRONIC SWITCHES IN A NON-WIRELINE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATES

Sir:

The undersigned Attorney of Record hereby revokes all prior appointments (if any) of Associate Attorney(s) or Agent(s) in the above-captioned case and appoints:

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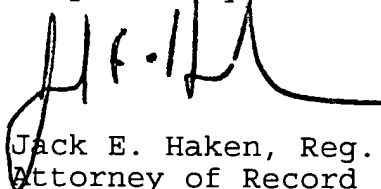
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c/o U.S. PHILIPS CORPORATION, Intellectual Property Department, 580 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, New York 10591, his Associate Attorney(s)/Agent(s) with all the usual powers to prosecute the above-identified application and any division or continuation thereof, to make alterations and amendments therein, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING THIS APPLICATION AND THE LETTERS PATENT WHEN GRANTED SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE UNDERSIGNED ATTORNEY OF RECORD.

Respectfully,



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Attorney of Record

Dated at Tarrytown, New York
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REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.73 TO PROCEED IN THE NAME OF ASSIGNEE AND
POWER OF ATTORNEY

Sir:

The assignee hereby requests that prosecution of this application proceed in the name of assignee.

Pursuant to merger agreements dated June 28, 1999, filed concurrently herewith (see Form PTO 1595 and U.S. patent applications identified in Appendix A therein) the above-identified application has been transferred by Voice Control Systems (and the related companies e.g. Vulcan Merger Sub, Inc.) to Philips Electronics North America Corporation. Accordingly, assignee has provided a showing of the chain of title (ultimately leading to ownership by Philips Electronics North America Corporation), between Voice Control Systems and Philips Electronics North America Corporation.

Therefore it is respectfully requested that based on this showing, Philips Electronics North America Corporation be recognized as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest of the above-identified application.

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As the assignee, Philips Electronics North America Corporation, hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney in this application and appoints the following as its attorneys of record:

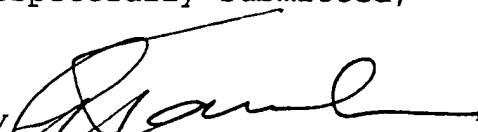
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Please note that assignee is not a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

It is hereby certified that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to:

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Washington, D.C. 20231

On

May 2, 2000

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SPEECH RECOGNITION SYSTEM FOR ELECTRONIC SWITCHES IN A NON-WIRELINE
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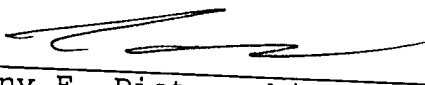
Sir:

The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply in this application requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Please charge any additional fees which may now or in the future be required in this application, including extension of time fees, but excluding the issue fee unless explicitly requested to do so, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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